ment sources of successful use of these pesticides in user countries or manufacturers' country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether it is a fact that AICRP on Biological control units show that Helio this can be controlled through Biological methods and if so, the reasons for non-application of this method on a large massive scale?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir. One time permission or import has been granted under section 9(3B) of the Insecticides Act, 1968 to 4 new insecticides namely, Triazophos, Methomyl, Fenpropathrin and Fluvalinate for control of Heliothis and white fly on cotton crop in Andhra Pradesh. The quantities permitted are:

Fenpropathrin	–	110 MT Technical
Fluvalinate	–	250 MT Technical
Methomyl	–	67 MT Technical & 1.3 lakh litres of formulation equivalent to 31 MT Technical.
Triazophos	–	400 Kilo Litres Technical concentrate

The State Government has reported an estimated loss of Rs. 600 crores to farmers due to pest attack on cotton crop during 1987-88.

(b) to (d) These four chemicals have been provisionally registered under Section 9(3B) of the Insecticides Act, 1968 according to the norms laid down for this purpose. The available results from field tests conducted by ICAR and Agricultural Universities regarding their effectiveness were taken into consideration while granting provisional registration to them.

(e) The Biological control is only one component of Integrated Pest Management which is at present recommended for the suppression of Heliothis population. Biological control alone cannot be relied upon though application of NPV (Nuclear Polyhydrosis virus), inundative release of egg parasite Trichogramma and egg-larval parasite Chilonus have been reported to extend fairly good control.

Visit of Indian Delegation to USSR

1825. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 2980 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 19th August, 1988 and state whether an Indian delegation is likely to visit the Soviet Union to finalise talks/discussions which remained inconclusive?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): It is upto the Indian firms which have signed the protocols of Understanding with the Soviet side, to pursue further actions. At present there is no proposal under consideration with the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation to sponsor any delegation in this regard.

Imposition of Export Obligation on Pepsico Project

1826. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that approximately 40 per cent of the project consists of Potato chips, and corn snacks and there is foreign equity of 39 per cent when S. I. A. approved the Punjab Agro-Pepsi collaboration;

(b) the reasons why an export obligation was imposed on Indian organics; and

(c) the reasons for which no specific export obligation has been imposed on Punjab Agro to export Potato and Grain products?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Potato and grain processing constitutes approximately 40 per cent of the capital cost of the project. Government has approved foreign equity of 39.89 per cent.

(b) As the items of manufacture were non-Appendix-I items of M/s. Indian Organic Chemicals Limited in an MRTP Company, an export obligation was imposed.

(c) Foreign collaboration covers all the items of manufacture by M/s. Punjab Agro Industries Corporation Limited and hence no particular item has been singled out for fulfilment of the export obligation.

Change in the Import Policy to Suit Pepsico Needs

1827. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI:
SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1429 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th March, 1987 and state:

(a) whether Government propose to alter the import policy to suit Pepsi-Co's import needs;

(b) whether the list of imports that are required by the Pepsi project have been made available to the Ministry;

(c) whether local industries have been asked as to which of the required items can be produced domestically; and

(d) which items are likely to be imported by the Pepsi-Co project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOO DPROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Punjab Agro Industries Corporation has since submitted an application for import of capital goods to the Chief Controller of Imports and Exports. The prescribed procedure will be followed in processing the Capital goods application.

National Policy regarding Beggary

1828. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state whether Government propose to evolve a National policy to solve the problem of beggary?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUMATI ORAON): A suggestion made in this regard is under examination.

Ruling of Bombay High Court regarding Telecasting of Censored or Distorted Views

1829. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 2251 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 17th August, 1988 and state:

(a) what corrective measures are to be taken if the interviewed person complain of violation of the ruling of the Bombay High Court, dated June 26, 1988 by Doordarshan's distortion of his views through deletions of certain aspects of his views; and

(b) the procedure thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) The ruling of the Hon'ble Court delivered on 21.6.88 has been noted carefully for future guidance and compliance. While editing interviews etc. used in various programmes, due care is taken by Doordarshan to avoid distortion of the views of the persons interviewed. The substance of what the interviewee says in recordings is retained subject to the need for maintaining balance in a programme and also to keep it within the prescribed time frame.

Import of Edible Oil

1830. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the country will import about 1.2 million tonnes of edible oil during the current year;

(b) if so, what was the edible oil imported during the year 1987 and to what extent it was more in comparison with the last year; and